AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A search method, comprising the steps of:

receiving a user positing a query to a search engine from a user;

returning a first list of search results being returned to said user by said search engine in response to said query, said search results each being associated with at least one site or more Web sites;

providing a selection mechanism within said first list that allows said user to identify search results of interest from among those search results within said first list;

receiving selection mechanism input from said user, applying a gesture to said selection mechanism to identify said selection mechanism input identifying search results of interest from among those search results within said first list;

providing a second list of search results to which said search results of interest may be added;

adding said identified search results of interest to a said second list in response to said input received from said user gesture; and

providing said user said a second list of search results comprising to which said search results of interest may be added; and

allowing a said user to visit Web sites associated with said search results of interest from said second list without having to select and return to said first list of search results.

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2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said search method is implemented in a user client.

3. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein said user client is a browser.

4. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said method is implemented in a server.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein said <u>selection mechanism input is generated responsive to</u> user gesture is a mouse-over click gesture.

6. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said second list is any of a pull down and a side bar.

7. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said selection mechanism comprises a separate checkbox associated with each of said search results in said first list.

8. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of:
    providing an edit facility for entries made to said second list.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 8, said edit facility providing functionality for any of editing entries, clearing all entries, and clearing individual sites.

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10. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said search comprises any of a content search, file search, and a database search.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:

saving entries in said second list in chronological order, where most recent sites

are displayed at a top of said second list.

12. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said second list comprises a temporary queue in which entries are not saved across search sessions.

13. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the step of:

said user designating selected entries within said second list for transfer to a

bookmarks list to save information related to said selected entries for use

after a current search session has ended.

14. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said search method is implemented in a search portal.

15. (Currently Amended) A search apparatus, comprising:

~~a search engine to which a user posits a query;~~

<u>means for receiving a query to a search engine from a user;</u>

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means for ~~said search engine~~ returning a first list of search results to said user in

response to said query, said search results each associated with at least one

site ~~or more Web sites~~;

a selection mechanism within said first list that allows said user to identify search

results of interest from among those search results within said first list;

means for receiving selection mechanism input from said user ~~applying a gesture~~

~~to said selection mechanism to identify~~ ,said selection mechanism input

identifying search results of interest from among those search results

within said first list;

~~a second list of search results to which said search results of interest may be~~

~~added, wherein said search results of interest are added to said second list~~

~~in response to said user gesture; and~~

means for adding said identified search results of interest to a second list in

response to said input received from said user:-

means for providing said user said second list of search results comprising said

search results of interest; and

means for allowing a said user to visit ~~Web~~ sites associated with said search

results of interest from said second list without having to select and return

to said first list of search results.

16. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said search apparatus is

implemented in a user client.

17. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 16, wherein said user client is a browser.

18. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said search apparatus is implemented in a server.

19. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said <u>selection mechanism input is generated responsive to</u> ~~user gesture is~~ a mouse-over click ~~gesture~~.

20. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said second list is any of a pull down and a side bar.

21. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15 wherein said selection mechanism comprises a separate checkbox associated with each of said search results in said first list.

22. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, further comprising:
an edit facility for entries made to said second list.

23. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 22, said edit facility providing functionality for any of editing entries, clearing all entries, and clearing individual sites.

24. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said search comprises any of a content search, file search, and a database search.

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25. (Original) The apparatus of claim 15, further comprising:

means for saving entries in said second list in chronological order, where most

recent sites are displayed at a top of said second list.

26. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said second list comprises a

temporary queue in which entries are not saved across search sessions.

27. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15, further comprising:

means for said user designating selected entries within said second list for transfer

to a bookmarks list to save information related to said selected entries for

use after a current search session has ended.

28. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim 15, wherein said search

apparatus method is implemented in a search portal.

29. (New) A computer readable medium containing a computer program product

for robustly searching, the computer program product comprising:

program code for receiving a query to a search engine from a user;

program code for returning a first list of search results in response to said query,

said search results each being associated with at least one site;

program code for providing a selection mechanism within said first list that allows

said user to identify search results of interest from among those search

results within said first list;

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program code for receiving selection mechanism input from said user said

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among those search results within said first list;

program code for adding said identified search results of interest to a second list

in response to said input received from said user;-

program code for providing said user said second list of search results comprising

said search results of interest; and

program code for allowing said user to visit sites associated with said search

results of interest from said second list without having to select and return .

to said first list of search results.